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SUBJECT: CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION IMPLEMENTATION
OBLIGATIONS: QATARI LEGISLATION IS IN DRAFT FORM

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11. DCM delivered ref demarche to Dr. Hassan al-Hamadi, Head of the Legal Affairs Department at the MFA, on December 13. Al-Hamadi said that Qatar has an inter-agency committee (of which he is a member) charged with implementing the Chemical Weapons Convention. "You will see it becoming more active," he said. Regarding implementing penal legislation, al-Hamadi said that a draft law is being reviewed by the Council of Ministers (the Qatari Cabinet), the last step before enactment by the Amir. Al-Hamadi did not give a timetable for full compliance with the CWC's Article VII.

12. Post will engage Qatar's CWC Committee Chair on this issue and on establishing a Memorandum of Understanding for challenge inspections.
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